

Economic Advisory Council has evaluated the economic performance of the country over the preceding period and mentioned the aggregate employment effect of growth had been much slower than needed. The development strategy must aim at creation of more productive employment specially from the point of view of distributional aspect. Some of the major policy issues identified in the report are as follows:

- i) A widely dispersed agricultural growth, labour intensive land development to improve agricultural production providing income to the poor.
- ii) Emphasis on generation of employment in the economy as a whole, and not just in a single sector.
- iii) Expansion of well conceived strategy for more efficient functioning of small Scale units through updating of machinery and equipment and widen dispersal for generation of more employment.
- iv) Formulation of well conceived strategy for more efficient functioning of small scale units through updating of machinery and equipment and widen dispersal for generation of more employment.
- v) Promotion of efficient export earning sectors like garments, leather manufacturer and agro-based items which will help in reducing import intensity of export as well as to promote further employment.
- vi) Technological upgradation and modernisation for core industries supplying primary and intermediate inputs and capital goods.

The Government's approach to the employment oriented planning will be reflected in the Eight Plan.

#### **Foreign Tourists in 1989-90**

7616. SHRI GANGA CHARAN LODHI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the number of tourists to India during the year 1989-90; and

(b) the foreign exchange earned by the Government during 1989-90 from the tourists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI SATYA PAL MALIK): (a) The number of foreign tourists including the nationals of Pakistan and Bangladesh who visited India during the year 1989-90 was 17,65,079.

(b) The foreign exchange earnings from tourism during 1989-90 were provisionally estimated as Rs. 2456 crores.

[*Translation*]

#### **Loans Advanced by Banks for House Building in Uttar Pradesh**

7617. DR. BANGALI SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Cooperative and other banks in Uttar Pradesh have sanctioned house building loans to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, low and middle income groups people including economically weaker sections as per the norms fixed by Union Government; and

(b) if so, the district-wise, details thereof?